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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives are saddened to learn of the death of Ann
4 Colette Scanu, who passed away on February 24, 2007; and

5 WHEREAS, Ann Colette Scanu, nee Wahl, was born on September
6 2nd, 1927 in Cleveland, Ohio; she was the first born child of
7 Dr. William and Coletta Schertzer Wahl; she graduated from
8 Sacred Heart Academy High School in 1945, and then began her
9 studies at Ursuline College, where she earned her Bachelor of
10 Science degree in 1949; and

11 WHEREAS, In 1949 Ann took a job at Cleveland Clinic where
12 she worked as a research assistant for the next decade; it was
13 here that she met Dr. Angelo Scanu, whom she married on June
14 7th, 1958; they settled in Hyde Park, where they raised their
15 two children, Gabriella and Marco; and

16 WHEREAS, In 1971, Ann began working as a part time tutor at
17 St. Thomas the Apostle School and within a few years the
18 position became full-time; at the time of her retirement in the
19 spring of 2004, Ann had been a member of the faculty at St.
20 Thomas for over 32 years, making hers one of the longest
21 teaching careers in the history of the school; and

1 WHEREAS, In the middle of her tenure at St. Thomas, Ann
2 Scanu went back to school, earning her Master of Education
3 degree from the University of Chicago in 1979; and

4 WHEREAS, Ann enjoyed volunteering her time to a number of
5 Chicago organizations, including the Lincoln Park Zoo and the
6 Visitors' Center at the Chicago Cultural Center; she was also a
7 familiar face at the Museum of Science and Industry, where she
8 volunteered for a quarter-century; Ann enjoyed traveling to
9 many corners of the globe, beginning with her first trip to
10 Europe in 1953; Ann visited five of the seven continents during
11 the course of the next half-century; and

12 WHEREAS, In 1984, Ann met her lifelong pen pal during a
13 visit to the town of Yeelanna, Australia, and participated in
14 no fewer than two archeological digs in England and France; Ann
15 loved the scenery, people, and culture of her husband's
16 homeland, Italy, and enjoyed many, many happy times with
17 friends and family in that beautiful country; and

18 WHEREAS, Ann also loved a good book, a beer, a salty snack,
19 and was eager to share with the ones she loved; and

20 WHEREAS, Ann Scanu is survived by her husband, Angelo; her
21 daughter, Gabriella (Warren); her son, Marco (Jamie); her two
22 grandsons, Niccolo and Matteo; her sister, Sue; her brother,

1 Jerry (Phyllis); and her many nieces and nephews; she was
2 preceded in death by her parents and her sister and
3 brother-in-law, Sally and Ralph "Mac" McCool; therefore, be it

4 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
5 NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
6 mourn, along with her family and friends, the passing of Ann
7 Colette Scanu; and be it further

8 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
9 presented to the family of Ann Colette Scanu as an expression
10 of our sympathy.